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MEXICAN TROUBLE BEFORE WILSON

Frisco Cuts Service to Texas and Oklahoma. Garfield Assures Meat Packers of Coal. Many Governors Call Conferences.

M'ALESTER, Okla.. Dec. 5.—Gov. Robertson has issued a proclamation declaring military law in Pittsburg, Latimer, Leflor, Coal, Haskell and Okmulgee counties, to take effect immediately.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 5.—The first rall-road to make announcement of its reduced service was the Frisco, which is sued a bulletin this morning cancelling trains No. 1 and 2 between St. Louis and Tulse, Fort Worth, Dallas and San Antonio; Nos. 3 and 4 between Spring-field, Fort Smitch and Dallas, and local trains No. 323 and 824 between St. Louis and St. Marys, Mo.

CHICAGD, Dec. 5.—Following receipt of instructions from United States Fuel Administrator Garfield at Washington. T. W. Proceed that fuel will continue to be fur nished meat packers in Chiago and the West and Northwest to perate slaughtering, refrigerating and packing plants.

No Empty Stockings On Xmas Morning Is Slogan; Help!

GOODFELLOWS.SANTA CLAUS CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS Previously acknowledged \$408.77

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PARIS, Dec. 5.—The members of the

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Conference Called for Towns Affected by Latest Application of Conservation Order. Few Big Reserves Here.

received here Friday. Practically all of this coal must be supplied by the southern region. The coal traffic on the coal-carrying lines of the southern region is heavier than ever known. The Southern railway had about 600 cars in transit on the Memphis division Friday.

Southern railway had about soo cars in transit on the Memphis division Friday, nearly all of which was destined for the Southwest and West. The Frisco was also handling heavy shipmonts from the Alabama fields and the Louisville & Nashville was moving big shipments from the West Kentucky mines.

A. E. Walker, superintendent of the Rock lisand, called in traffic and operating officials for a conference at Little Rock, Ark, Friday for the purpose of formulating plans for co-operating with the city officials of the towns on the Rock Island line in the observance of the coal conservation orders. Committees were to be appointed to visit all the more important cities and towns on the line and confer with the city officials in regard to the conservation of coal. F. M. Griffith, division passenger agent, and S. L. James, travelling freight agent for the Rock Island, represented Memphis at the Little Rock meeting. F. C. Johnson, division freight agent, is giving his undivided attention to the local coal situation, with respect to the requirements of the territory agency by the Rock Island.

Few Big Supplies.

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The Memphis terminal held 215 cars of coal Friday subject to award for local essential industries and domestic consumption. There were no additional enhances declared Friday on account of the coal situation.

The fuel committee at Washington requested railroad officials Thursday to canvass the Memphis industrial plants to determine how many, if any, had as much as 1,000 tons of coal on hand.

The canvass revealed that with the exception of the street railway company and the gas company, only one concern in Memphis had that amount of coal on hand.

At the street railway effice it was stated that the company siways maintains a receive supply of at least 1,000 tons, and that the regional fuel committee at Atlanta is awarding the company sufficient coal to operate without drawing upon its reserve supply. It fequires about 140 tons per day to operate the sumply for fuel for its power plant.

The estimate for the gas and electric company is said to have included the supply of coal used for manufacturing their ones and are concentrating their efforts to induce the fuel administration to modify the orders to that they away remain open until 5 p.m., which would give them on additional special hearing and lighting systems which will not require the use of install special hearing and lighting systems which will not require the use of install special hearing and lighting systems which will not require the use of the same which will not require the use of the heary the clieften. The letter was signed by Lesile Ennis, 100 the large stores are not expected to induce the continuence of the paper and the unfortunate to a degree that warrains them in unburdening the confidence of the poor and the unfortunate to a fittle ones. All of their lives they have suffered reverses. The high const of living slockness and death have suffered reverses. The high const of living slockness and death have suffered reverses. The high conservation of the same provious to the suffered reverses. The high conservation of the confi

Insurance Affected.

Henry R. Colby, agent for the Delco Lighting system, said Friday that he had had more than 100 inquiries from feed merchants in regard to the installation of private lighting systems in stores, but that all stock on hand was already booked for shipment on sales previously made, and that there was no plant available for installation, here at present. A full carload of the plants is expected to arrive next week.

At least 25 or 30 industrial plants have installed and are hurning fuel oil, John T. Massey, special, agent for the Standard Oil company, said Friday, and cores of other concerns are preparing to do so. The inquiries about fuel oil are general from all classes of husiness. Mr. Massey said.

One complication to be met is using special means of producing heat and light to meet the situation is the restrictions of the insurance companies.

The Insurance Exchange of Memphis is not out the following builetin Friends:

"Due to the recent order of the Unit.

TRAFFIC COP HIMSELF CAUGHT IN MAELS." Insurance Affected.

TRAFFIC COP HIMSELF

Believe Gang Is Broken Up Which Got Stolen Goods

Evidence Given in Trial for Subornation of Perjury Further Complicated by Confessions of Renegar.

Arguments of counsel consumed the reater part of the morning session of ederal court in the trials of Joseph lanover, attorney, and Charles B. Ren gar, bootlegger, on charges of sub bootlegger, on charges of sub on of perjury. Character witnesse e defense were put on the stan-lintely after the convening of

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Hanover, concluded, summing up the
vidence or lack of evidence as he saw
t upon which the government seeks to

Fuel Oil Goes Up; Usual Inquiry Is Ordered By U. S.

Increased prices of fuel oil will be thoroughly investigated by the government with a view to ascertaining whether or not such increases were made in violation of the recently amended food and fuel control act. Instructions to this effect have been received by W. D. Kyser, United States district attorney, from A. Mitchell Palmer, attorney-general of the United States.

Some manufacturers and dealers in fuel oil have taken advantage of the coal shortage to increase the price according to reports reaching the department of justice and as a result instructions have been forwarded to district attorneys to take immediate steps in their respective districts to institute proceedings against the violators.

The telegraphic instructions received follow:

"Reports indicate that manufacturers and dealers in fuel oil are taking advantage of the coal shortage to unduly increase price of oil. This is a direct violation of the criminal features of the food and fuel control act as amended to the coal shortage to unduly increase price of oil. This is a direct violation of the criminal features of the food and fuel control act as amended to the coal shortage to unduly increase price of oil. This is a direct violation of the criminal features of the food and fuel control act as amended to the coal shortage to unduly increase price of oil. This is a direct violation of the criminal features of the food and fuel control act as amended to the coal shortage to unduly in the past, use every effort to secure to the facts justify.

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U. S. GREATEST TRADE **COMPETITOR IS OPINION**

NOTED "REDS" WAIT

"I am attaching hereto another check for \$2.50 to be used in making some poon little fellow happy the day all children should be happy, and if you are a better guesser this year I will mail you another check for the same amount for the children." The letter was signed by Leslie Ennis. If we are right he owes the children that \$2.50 and being a Goodfellow we know it will be forthcoming.

Home Wednesday HIGH DEATH RATE WEEK OF NOV. 29

WASHINGTON. Dec. 5.—Memphis had the highest death rate of any city in the country during the week of Nov. 29. according to statistics of the census bureau's registration area just made public. The rate was 23.9 per thousand of estimated population compared with 16.5 for the corresponding week of 1917. New Orleans had the highest rate in the corresponding week of 1917 or of the average of corresponding weeks in the fave years 1913-17, with 21.3 per thousand, but during the week of Nov. 29 this year it had dropped to 16.0 per thousand.

Atlanta's rate was 14.2 per thousand for last week, having dropped from 15.2 in the corresponding week of 1917. Birmingham's rate showed a heavier decrease, being 11.1, compared with 17.8 for the live-year corresponding week average.

Richmond showed an increase from 16.1 to 29.4 per thousand, and Washington decreased from 16.5 to 15.1 per thousand.

Bandits Cross Border on Raid

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 5.—Gen. J. F., Wolters, commanding the Texas cavalry with headquarters here, today received advices of a raid by Mexican bandits on a store near the border. It miles south of Zapata, county seat of Zapata county. of Zapata county.

The information is that the owner of the store was bound after which the place was looted and the bandits fled across the border.

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Conserve Coal in Three Re-

gions Beyond River. BULLETIN.

Effective Monday, the Rock Island will cancel the train reaching here at 12 p.m. and leaving at 2:30 p.m.

ner for the senate investigating com-mittee.
Capt. Hanson in his message stated information of the raid was given him by County Judge Spohn, of Zapata

SEE LONG BATTLE IN **ELECTION FRAUD CASE**

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. Dec. 5
When federal court opened this morning 94 of the 185 men indicted on charges of conspiring to illegally elect United States Sentior Truman H. Newberry had appeared for arraignment Of the remaining 41, 20 have accented service warrants through their attorness and are not scheduled to appear until next Monday. This list includes Senator Newberry and his principal campaign leaders.

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as the coming legal battle draws near er there are indications that it will be a long drawn out fight. Statement by leading attorneys for respondent for separate trials and other move

One-third of the passenger train mile-age on the Rock Island, Missouri Pa-cific, Cotton Belt and the Frisco on buth sides of the river, is to be cut off at 12:01 o'clock Monday morning, the trains to be eliminated to be announced later, according to orders received by local railway men Friday. The three western regions are affected by the or-der. der. F. C. Johnson, division freight agent for the Rock Island, received the following telegram from L. M. Allen, passenger traffic manager for the Rock Island, at Chicago at 11 o'clock Friday morning: "Orders issued today all federal man-

Legal battles involving damage suits menting on the situation. "A wise and merelful course would be to tell them demphis Artesian Water department trowing out of the contamination of the water supply by sewage last spring, impounting to considerably more than a blockade will be renewed."

The opening gun in the legal battle will be two motions which will be heard in Judge Plitman's court by attorneys for clients who were victims of the polluted water, one by Buchanan & Cavett and another by Martin, Boyd.

In the motions the attorneys will ask that the court dismiss the demurrers against the numerous declarations in damage suits filed against the city. These demurrers were filed by H. J. Livingston, city attorney Messrs, Cavett and Boyd also will ask the court to determine the city water department's liability in the cases as a question of law.

In the demurrers Mr. Livingston will insist that the city in conducting the water department and sewage system was acting in its governmental capacity and therefore is not liable for damages even shough negligence is shown. Negligence in permitting the water department.

The judge will pass on whether or not.

admitted by the city and water department.

The judge will pass on whether or not the city and water department was acting in its governmental capacity, or whether it was acting in a ministerial or private capacity if acting in the latter capacity the city and water commission would then be liable for damages if negligence can be shown.

The plaintiffs will contend that the city was acting in a ministerial or private capacity, and was therefore liable to damages.

to damages.

The merits of the demurrers of course will be determined by the court at the same time it passes on the question of diemassing the demurrers.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 5.—Seventysix men, gaid to be striking steelworkers, were arrested at Donora. Pa., today when troopers of the state police and county officers raided steel strike headquarters. The raid followed the expleslon of å charge of dynamite under the residence of Felix Burkhardt, a workman, according to information received here. CHILD LABOR PROFIT TAX IS ATTACKED

DISAGREE: ONE DEAD Binghamton, incorporated as a part of the city of Memphis on Dec. I, waited until Friday to help swell the Memphis murder record. The first arrest from Binghamton since it became a part of the city is a murder case. It was docketed just after noon Friday.

Henry Mitchell, negro, 308 Popiar avenue, shot and killed Bob Phillips, also a negro, in the yard of the lumber mili of Nickey Bross. Binghamton, where both men were employed.

Mitchell was arrested a short distance from the scene of the killing by the Binghamton police "force," consisting of Patroimen Crume and John Sallors.

Mitchell claimed Philips attacked him. He picked a pistol out of an overcout hanging to a post nearby, he said. He did not know who the coat belonged to. The wounded man, Mitchell said, seized the pistol after he was shot. Mitchell fled and could not tell where the pistol went. Police failed to find it. ourt was asked to uphold federal court decrees rendered in North Carolina dedaring unconstitutional the provisions

St. Louis And 54 Missouri Counties "Wet

four St. Louis tractions of the decision would said the effect of the decision would permit the sale of whisky and wine throughout the Eastern district of Misthroughout the Eastern district of the Eastern distr

Occupation Rumor Follows Paris Conference Between Foch and Field Marshal Wilson.

PARIS, Dec. 5.—Germany's reply to the ailled note protesting against the increase of Germany's arma-ment has reached Paris, according to the Temps. The reply has not yet been submitted to the peace conference delegates, however, the newspaper says.

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A combination of theatrical interests

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.— the White House communicated with Secretary Tumulty late last night regarding the conference, and said it was not necessary that the president see the senators immediately, but the president seen to be conference today. the state department today that American consular agent Wm. O. Jenkins, at Puebla, Mexico, had been released from custody.

washington. Dec. 5.—President Wilson will see Senators Fall, Republican. New Mexico, and Hitchcock. Demograt, Nebraska, at 2:30 p.m. today to discuss the Mexican situation. The Mexican and coal situations and other matters were discussed today at a meeting of President Wilson's calinet, which continued for two and a half hours, but none of the departmental heads would make a statement when the meeting adjourned.

Secretary Lansing, who called the session and presided, said there was nothing to be given out, but conceded the Mexican problem had occupied the cubinet's attention for part of the time, Most of the session was given over to adiscussion of the coal strike and fuel administrator Garfield and Director-Gen. Hincs. of the railroad administration, were present for a time.

Senator Fall announced that immediately after the conference be would make public the evidence on which he based his charges in the senate that the Mexican ambassador and consuls in the United States were circulating "Red" propagands. question generally

Two Men Charged With Forgeries At Pine Bluff Bank

cept them.

James McLellan and T. B. Lyle, Jr.

bank tellers, went to Little Rock to
see if they could see anything of the
men but falled to find them.

HEARS END NEAD

U. S. SUPPLY DEA

pose of the committee to make as thorough an investigation as possible. It is, of course, impracticable, personally to interview every telephone subscriber, or even every member of the Chamber of Commerce, but it is desirable that the committee should have the benefit of the experience and opinions of the members as to the telephone service. With this in view, the committee has prepared the enclosed questionnaire and requests that you read same carefully, answer it fully and return it at once. army supplies bought by France, purchased a large number of water purchased a large number of water ment sale and made a profit on the pale of 160,000 france. With this all he bought boots, shoes and blanke Now he has a bank account of or 1,000,000 france.

Memphis has a new rifle and revoleinh. It is composed of estimable dies and gentiemen anxious to beer proficient in the art of marksmanshi Some good scores were made at initial shoot, which was held at rifle range in the basement of Ceppelice station. A meeting at an a date will be announced to elset offi and perfect organization.

Among the more proficient shoot and shootesses at the initial tour were Dr. C. M. Back, Charles W. Frank Knox. Mr. and Mrs. It Straus and M. Willard Butler.

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Louisiana-Partly cloudy to

American peace delegation with the ex-ception of three, will leave Paris next Monday night for Brest. The three re-maining delegates will leave Tucaday night and the entire personnel of the delegation will sail on the steamship America for the United States on Wedneeday.
High C. Wallace, the American ambandor, will thereafter be the only representative of the United States in the supreme council.

"Due to the recent order of the UnitStates fuel administration affecting heating and lighting of buildings, our temporary methods of heating are being employed for any such method violates the multitions of an insurance polymetric polymetri

the defense were purely the defense were pediately after the convening of ret and both sides announced the end the testimony udge McCall allowed 20 minutes to ch side for argument. W. D. Kyser, strict attorney, opened for the government and summed up the testimony than the strict attorney are put the motive

The telegraphic instructions received follow:

"Reports indicate that manufacturers and dealers in fuel off are taking advantage of the coal shortage to unduly increase price of oil. This is a direct violation of the criminal features of the food and fuel control act as amended Oct. 22. If this condition exists in your district please institute criminal prosecutions at once in cases where the facts justify."

ARREST 76 STRIKERS

LONDON, Dec. 5.— Americans are the "fiercest and most efficient" trade competitors of the British, said Sir Hamar Greenwood, speaking today at a luncheon given by Maj. Gen. Sir Newton Moore in honor of the appointment of Sir Hamar as secretary of the government's overseas trade com-mittee. There never had been in Great Britain a settled policy regarding trade development, he said, and he believed a very small expenditure of money would result in a large development of

would result in a large development of Col. Amery, under secretary for the colonies, said it was most important financial control remain in British hands, adding if American capital went to Cahada, it meant more Canadian capital for developing other portions of the empire.

SHIP ON ELLIS ISLAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Alexander Berkman and Emma Goldman, his com-nanion in 30 years of anarchistic activi-ties, were sent from the mainland of the United States today, probably never

the third states today, locally its return deported for urging over-throw of the government by violence, they were taken to the immigration station at Ellis Island, where they will be held until a ship is available to send them to Russia, whence they came. Their liberty on ball expired when they were surrendered by their counsel at the demand of the department of labor CHINA SPLIT 50-50

Atlanta's rate was 14.2 per thousand

ON SHANTUNG POINT

FOLLOWING EXPLOSION

BINGHAMTON NEGROES

Chairman of C. of C. Law Committee Queries Mem-IN RIG CONIRINE

Martin Beck Heads \$50,

A combination of theatrical interests involving \$50,000,000 capital, most of which will be used for the erection of new theaters, including one in Memphis, was completed Thursday in Chicago, according to information received by J. A. Bertram, manager of the Orpheum theater, Friday morning.

Martin Beck, managing director of the present Orpheum circuit, was made president and Morris Meyerfield, president of the Orpheum circuit, was made chairman of the board of directors.

Among the interests concerned in the merger put through Thursday were those represented by Caroline Kohl, Frank Tate, Charles Celia, Herman, The erection of 43 theaters from the Pacific coast to Chicago is contemplated at once and more to be added later. Construction on Orpheum theaters contemplated will include Memphis, according to Mr. Bertram, Mr. Beck was in Memphis recently and announcement of the sile for the lotal theater is expected daily. Some of the common stock of the new corporation will be put on the market.

The Orpheum circuit in its present organization has been in existence 23 years and has been in existence 25 years and has been in e

standard for all that is ville.

The \$50,000,000 corporation was underwritten through Richardson Hill, of Boaton, and the Central Trust company, of Chicago.

Two main offices will be catabilshed, one in Chicago and one in New York. Completion of the consolidation and issuance of stock is contemplated by Jan. 1, 1920.

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the W. P. Armstrong, chairman of the

law committee, of the Chamber of

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What Service They Receive.

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law committee, of the Chamber of Commerce, at the request of W. H. FitzHugh, president, was made Friday morning, resulting from a meeting by Mr. Armstrong with his committee. The committee decided to send to each member of the Chamber of Commerce two questionnaires, one to be filled out with reference to his business and one with reference to his home, the purpose being, according to an explanation by Mr. Armstrong, "to ascertain concretely the nature of the grievances the patrons of the company have." This will furnish a bisis upon which the committee may then act under whatever power of the law is available to compel the Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph company to correct the inefficiency which the questionnaries may reveal.

As there are over 2000 members of OHIO GOVERNOR

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 5.—Settlement the confirmation of the confirmat ficiency which the questionnaries may reveal.

As there are over \$,000 members of the Chamber of Commerce over \$,000 of these questionnaries will be mailed out, which in the opinion of Mr. Armstrong, will be sufficient to give an accurate view of the kind of telephone service Memphis is getting.

In a preferatory letter to the questionnaire, Mr. Armstrong said in the name of his committee: "It is the purpose of the committee to make as thorough an investigation as possible. It RAG MAN RICH BY

PARIS. Dec. 5. (By the Associatives)—A rag and bone dealer formerly gained a meager livelihood picking over garbage boxes, has some wealthy by training in Americanna supplies hought by France. Burchosed a large number of water

MAYBE THIS CLUB WILL SHOOT SOME BURGLAN

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west portion.

Kentucky Unsettled weather ain or snow; warmer Saturday.

South Carolina-Cloudy; Georgia-Cloudy; not much chan